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Fully appreciative of the splendid support extended him by the members of the C.L.A., Father Stinson sings his humble swan song. That he has been successful is attested by the progress made by our organization in the few years of its existence. Father Stinson has worked hard and unselfishly. As first president of the Catholic Library Association he has done more than will ever be known to guide it through its first troublesome years.



REV. WILLIAM M. STINSON, S.J.
Retiring President of C. L. A.

With this last number of the fifth volume of the WORLD there is a ballot of names from which will be chosen the officers of our Association for the coming year. In handing over to our newly chosen President the work of our organization, I wish to take this occasion of thanking our members for their generous and loyal cooperation in furthering the interests of our Association. These are not idle words, I assure you, but a sincere expression of appreciation for help and encouragement oftentimes manifested.

Looking back over the first three years of the life of the Catholic Library Association, I can honestly assure you that real progress has been made. During these three years membership has increased, more slowly it is true than we would have wished, but yet positively and encouragingly.

From the inception of our Association a promise was made to our members that our official publication, THE CATHOLIC LIBRARY WORLD, would be brought out in printed form on the 15th of each month. This promise has been fulfilled and this fulfillment has done more, in my estimation, than any other single factor in keeping alive and strengthening our Association. I wish to heartily thank all who have contributed to the upbuilding of this all-important activity.

The second of our major activities, the C.P.L., has passed through dark and stormy days. But it has weathered them all, thank God, and now faces a new and brighter future in the projected four-year cumulated volume. This volume will become a reality if a sufficient number of subscribers to cover editorial and printing costs is secured. In other words, the future of the major activity of the Catholic Library Association is in our own hands.

To the incoming officers of our Association I offer best congratulations. I feel sure that under the guidance of these new officers the interests of the C.L.A. will be cared for and promoted.

WILLIAM M. STINSON, S.J.,
President.

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O'ROURKE HANDBOOK TO BE PUBLISHED IN SEPTEMBER

We have been advised that Bruce will publish in September *A Library Handbook for Catholic Students*, compiled by William T. O'Rourke, Assistant Librarian at Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass. The compiler has always been an active member of the C.L.A., and we feel confident that his Handbook will find universal use as a text in our Catholic colleges and high schools. A few years back Mr. O'Rourke was chairman of the committee on Catholic Bibliography which operated under the Library Section of the N. C. E. A. It is hoped that this enterprise will be taken up again and completed.

DUES 1934-1935

Because so many members have expressed a desire to pay their dues for the year September 1934-June 1935 before the summer vacation, we have billed each member with the June issue of the WORLD.

Paid-up membership in the Catholic Library Association is a definite manifestation of that abiding cooperation and support without which we could not function. We cordially invite all members to pay their dues for 1934-1935 immediately, if it is convenient.

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VOTE!

For the first time every member of the C.L.A. is given an opportunity to take an active part in the election of officers. Heretofore voting was confined to those present at the general meeting held in conjunction with the convention of the N.C.E.A. Attendance at general meetings was at best but a very small representation of the membership. Economic restrictions, summer school, retreats, etc., conspired to maintain a comparatively low level of voting representation. This year the Executive Committee voted to hold election by mail ballot, thus giving to each member his and her right to have a voice in the selection of officers. Regardless of general meetings in the future, it is expected that mail balloting will decide the choice of those who will direct the destinies of our organization.

In proposing candidates for president of the C.L.A. the following outstanding members were consulted and permission asked to use their names: Rev. Peter J. Etzig, C.S.S.R., Paul R. Byrne, Rev. Sylvester Brielmaier, O.M.Cap., Rev. Paul J. Foik, C.S.C., and Rev. William T. Kane, S.J. For very good reasons the latter three found it impossible to assume the duties of president. Father Etzig and Mr. Byrne were thus left to contest the office. However, the Executive Committee felt that the C.L.A. needed both of these members in office, and hence decided that the one receiving the lesser number of votes will be declared vice-president.

Use the ballot which has been sent to you. Read it over carefully and then follow its instructions. By all means **Vote!** And remember to return marked ballots to the editor of the **WORLD**.

TREASURER'S REPORT 1933-1934

Receipts	\$1,197.80
Disbursements:—	
CATHOLIC LIBRARY	
WORLD	\$499.64
Salary	500.00
Miscellaneous	155.20
Total	1,154.84
Balance on hand	\$42.96

As a matter of record we are printing a sample copy of the ballot sent to each member. Please do not use this ballot for voting purposes.

OFFICIAL BALLOT Catholic Library Association 1934-1935

PRESIDENT (Vote for one)

- ☐ Rev. Peter J. Etzig; C.S.S.R., Librarian, Redemptorist Seminary, Oconomowoc, Wis.
- ☐ Paul J. Byrne, Librarian, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Ind.

SECRETARY (Vote for one)

- ☐ Sister Mary Canisius, S.C.N., Director, Library Science Department, Nazareth College, Louisville, Ky.
- ☐ William A. Fitzgerald, Ph.D., Librarian, Brooklyn Preparatory, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Treasurer and Editor of the CATHOLIC LIBRARY WORLD

- ☐ John M. O'Loughlin, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, Mass.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Vote for six)

- ☐ Rev. Ralph Cote, O.P., Providence College, Providence, R. I.
- ☐ Rev. Paul J. Foik, C.S.C., St. Edward's University, Austin, Tex.
- ☐ Rev. Placidus Kempf, O.S.B., St. Meinrad's Abbey, St. Meinrad, Ind.
- ☐ Rev. Henry H. Regnet, S.J., St. Louis University, St. Louis, Mo.
- ☐ Rev. August Reyling, O.F.M., Quincy College, Quincy, Ill.
- ☐ Rev. William M. Stinson, S.J., Boston College, Chestnut Hill, Mass.
- ☐ Mother M. Agatha, O.S.U., Ursuline Academy, Wilmington, Del.
- ☐ Sister M. Ignatia, S.S.N.D., Academy of Our Lady, Chicago, Ill.
- ☐ Mother St. Jerome, S.H.C.J., Rosemont College, Rosemont, Pa.
- ☐ Miss Edna M. Becker, Fordham University, New York, N. Y.
- ☐ Miss Maria D. Calvo, College of the Sacred Heart, Manhattanville, N. Y.
- ☐ Miss Edith H. Jarboe, CATHOLIC ACTION, Washington, D. C.
- ☐ Miss Eva M. Perry, Loyola University, Chicago, Ill.
- ☐ William Stetson Merrill, Oconomowoc, Wis.

Since this is an emergency election successful candidates will hold office for one year.

The one of the candidates for President receiving the lesser number of votes will be declared Vice-president.

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FELLOWSHIP GRANT OF MISS JEANNETTE MURPHY EXTENDED

For the past year Miss Jeannette J. Murphy has been engaged at the University of Chicago Library School under a Fellowship grant. Her study and research have been applied to religion schedules with which Catholic librarians have had so much difficulty. From time to time she has visited libraries in various parts of the country, at present being in Washington, D. C. Miss Murphy's work has been so creditable that her Fellowship has not only been extended for another year, but her grant enlarged. This is, indeed, deserved tribute to her scholarly attainments. In behalf of her fellow-members in the C. L. A., we offer Miss Murphy our hearty congratulations and sincere wishes for still greater success in her contribution to Catholic library development.

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VARIETY OF TOPICS DISCUSSED AT HIGH SCHOOL ROUND TABLE

The high school round table at Mt. St. Dominic's, presided over by Brother A. Thomas, F.S.C., was attended by forty-seven interested librarians. Brother Thomas has submitted sketchy outlines of some of the subjects considered.

What should supervisors look for in visiting and inspecting high school libraries? It is conceded that the specialized knowledge of the library's problems would not be the property of most supervisors. Such guides and direction, then, as librarians might supply supervisors would help them in their work.

1. How much fiction should the library contain? How should it be used? Roughly, ten per cent of the titles might reasonably be fiction. With the youths in the lower classes of the high school, any good books which induce them to read might serve this purpose. The important thing here is to develop—often to instill—affection for reading. Such books are often kept in special collections for younger readers and are denied the more advanced students. A definite educational program ought to be held in sight, however. An overdose of fiction tends to over-stimulate the imagination. Varied capacities of boys and girls to read are hard to establish. The librarian here should guide his charges by telling them of the difficulties to be met and overcome.

2. Book reports should be made less important. One library in a school with a limited enrolment records each day, as an experiment, for the period of a year, each book taken by the student. Hobbies are found out in this way. Improvement in taste and reading is noticeable. Of course, the student is unaware of this check-up. Knowledge of it might prejudice results.

3. Library advertising by posters and adapted illustrative material is excellent. However, most of the books in our libraries need only be called to the attention of the student to get his reaction. Very much

advertising would often make the problem of supply and demand acute. Many Catholic writers might be brought more to the fore by articles in the school paper supplemented by posting on the bulletin board lists of books by these writers possessed by the library.

4. Book lists are best when made by librarians. Constant checking and modernizing is necessary to delete titles of books discarded and not replaced, as well as to include satisfactory new material. The problem of teachers who constantly bring out-of-date lists to the bewilderment of the library staff would be met in this fashion.

5. Although instruction in the use of books and the library is the province of the English teacher, we cannot expect much to be accomplished until such time as English teachers are themselves instructed. The move to make training in Library Science obligatory for English teachers is an intelligent solution of the problem. While we should guard against the temptation to make librarians out of all of our students, the worth of instruction in the fundamentals is unquestioned. Until such time as actual credit is given on the student's card for such instruction, it will be difficult to actually engage his attention in this regard. Some librarians offer a regular course of sixteen hours with laboratory work. Some others take a few minutes at the beginning of specified library periods. Methods will differ with local conditions. Varied practice is interesting. Each has its advantages and disadvantages.

6. Student assistants are valuable allies. A check-up is necessary from time to time. In general the interest of the young people in charge of the work is encouraging. Some librarians reward their assistants with privileges. Most respond to their opportunities.

7. Dickens' *Life of Christ* ruled out as unorthodox.

8. Book agents take too much valuable time. Our buying should be planned. We have little time to waste entertaining agents, even though this is their method of gaining a livelihood. The A.L.A. Subscription Booklist is a good guide to many agents' items.

9. Periodicals. Few of our Catholic high school libraries make a practice of keeping many magazines long. The number of requests for back numbers is the best guide. Our numerous public libraries can generally care for much of our back number references. The Vertical File will be a useful source of material sought in back numbers.

10. Vertical File usefulness is dependent on how thoroughly acquainted teachers are with library resources. The librarian must make it his duty to inform the various members of the faculty what he has in each department in books, pamphlets and Vertical File. The Vertical File might be but an expensive and time-absorbing plaything for the librarian if its contents are not brought to the attention of the faculty and to the use of the student body.

SISTER CECIL RECEIVES CARNEGIE FELLOWSHIP GRANT

The A.L.A. Committee on Fellowships and Scholarships has awarded to Sister Cecil, Professor of Library Science at the College of St. Catherine Library School, a Fellowship grant to study the history and development of children's literature in one or more countries and the conditions that assisted or impeded this development. Sister Cecil has also received a Fellowship from the University of Chicago for research work in the field of children's literature. She will begin work at the University within a few weeks under the direction of Miss Helen Martin, an outstanding authority in the "Reading Interests of Children."

In spite of the heavy demands which will be made on the time of Sister Cecil, she plans to finish her Juvenile Bibliography. This in itself is a stupendous task which it is hoped will be completed by September. Tentative divisions of this Bibliography are: (1) Parent Teacher Shelf; (2) General Reference Books; (3) Classified List of Non-fiction; (4) List of Fiction by Catholic Authors; (5) Children's Magazines; (6) Index arranged according to grades. The work not only includes the best in fiction and non-fiction by Catholic authors, but also books highly recommended for use in Catholic school libraries. It will be a complete one-volume tool for our Parochial schools.

The accomplishments of Sister Cecil in the field of Children's Literature are well worth the recognition which has been paid them. Her counsel in the matter of organizing libraries of juvenile literature is continually sought for by parishes in the middle west. In this section of the country at least she is an acknowledged authority in Catholic juvenile literature.

We extend our sincerest congratulations to Sister Cecil and we wish her every success in her great undertakings. She has always been a loyal member of the C.L.A., ready at all times to be of assistance. Her Bibliography and the research work to which she will apply herself under her Fellowship grants will be further contributions to Catholic library progress.

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CONFERENCE OF BROOKLYN-LONG ISLAND MEMBERS HELD ON ASCENSION THURSDAY

At the invitation of Dr. William A. FitzGerald, Librarian of Brooklyn Preparatory, the first local conference of members of the Catholic Library Association was held from two to six o'clock on Ascension Thursday, May 10. Invitations were sent to each Catholic secondary school and college in Brooklyn-Long Island diocese, and to this meeting at least half of the number of librarians from Catholic secondary schools in the district responded. The meeting, in the form of a Round Table discussion, gave the Librarians an opportunity to compare notes, to aim at perfection in the library service which is offered in each school, and to know each other more intimately.

Dr. FitzGerald, giving the address of welcome, stressed the necessity of informality in the meeting

so that all should feel at ease and ready to express opinions. The importance of membership in the C. L. A. was insisted upon, while copies of the *WORLD* and membership blanks were distributed to those who desired them, and the importance of aiding the *C. P. I.* was brought to the attention of all. Letters from Mr. John O'Loughlin, Editor of the *WORLD*, and from Mother M. Agatha, O. S. U., Librarian of the Calvert Library of the Ursuline Academy, Wilmington, Delaware, were read; and the greetings of blessings of the Reverend J. M. Jacobs, S.J., Headmaster of Brooklyn Prep., who was unable to be present, were extended to the group.

Although the meeting was of an informal nature and open to all library problems, most of the discussion centered upon periodical literature. Brother A. Thomas, Librarian of Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School, suggested that each Catholic school in Brooklyn keep on file at least one designated periodical. By means of a mimeograph check list, it will soon be decided which magazine will be kept by each school. This is not to discourage the filing of many periodicals in each library but to take care of those libraries which do not have sufficient storage space or which cannot afford to keep many magazines. It will mean that a complete file will be in force throughout Brooklyn, and the location of each periodical will be known to all librarians so that boys and girls doing important research work will be able to go where this material is contained. Thus, a really cooperative system shortly will be in existence. It was decided that Brother Thomas, assisted by Dr. FitzGerald, should prepare the check list and that Brother Thomas should send it to all the Catholic librarians of Greater Brooklyn. Discussion centered upon the necessity of bringing to the attention of school children Catholic magazines, since our schools are Catholic, and to watch carefully all non-Catholic periodicals, lest by allowing dubious articles to go uncensored, it should seem to constitute an approval.

Decision was made that meetings be resumed in October and continued thereafter every one or two months in a different school library each time. Thus, it will be possible to meet more often, discuss problems more frequently, and see the libraries under the jurisdiction of all librarians. Henceforth, the librarians of this locality will be associated as the Brooklyn-Long Island Unit of the Catholic Library Association, and it is hoped that by this example and encouragement, other local units will function frequently throughout the United States. Only thus will the general suggestions of the annual or regional meetings be especially promulgated and put into force.

Before and after the discussion exhibits in connection with the French, Spanish and German departments and the Shakespeare Anniversary were viewed with interest. The entire library—the reading room, stacks, and work shop—was open to all who browsed about. At four-fifteen p.m. after airplane views of Brooklyn Prep were distributed, refreshments were

served in the Prep Cafeteria. A motion of thanks was voted to the Headmaster, Father Jacobs.

Those present at the meeting were:

- Sister Maria Charitas, Saint Joseph's College for Women
- Sister Maria Concetta, Queen of All Saints High school
- Sister M. Abigail, Saint Brendan's Diocesan High School
- Sister Mary Brendan, Saint Saviour High School
- Sister M. Grace Agatha, Saint Barbara Diocesan High School
- Sister M. John Dominic, Saint Joseph's Convent
- Sister M. Lucille, All Saints School
- Sister M. Maud, Saint Barbara Diocesan High School
- Sister M. Natalena, Saint Angela Hall
- Sister Mary Sperata, Saint Saviour High School
- Sister M. Theresa Gertrude, Saint Thomas Aquinas Convent
- Sister Mary Thecla, Queen of All Saints Diocesan High School
- Sister M. Thomas Aquin, Saint Thomas Aquinas Convent
- Sister Rose Muriel, Academy of St. Joseph, Brentwood, L. I.
- Sister M. Constance, Our Lady of Mercy Academy, Syosset, L. I.
- Brother Andrew, Saint Augustine's High School
- Brother A. Thomas, Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School
- Brother Jerome, Saint Augustine's High School
- Brother John A. Perko, Chaminade High School, Mineola, L. I.
- Brother Oswald, Saint Michael's Diocesan High School
- Dr. William A. FitzGerald, Brooklyn Preparatory School
- Mrs. Beryl Funk, Saint John's Preparatory School
- Miss G. Kearney, Saint Agnes Seminary
- Mr. Declan X. McMullen, All Hallows Institute, New York

Miss Marion E. Rybicki, Saint Michael's Diocesan High School

Mrs. Berta M. Sedgwick, Saint Francis College
George Grady, Student Assistant at Brooklyn Prep.
Jack Nace, Student Assistant at Brooklyn Prep.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY ROUND TABLE AT MT. ST. DOMINIC

The meeting of the elementary school round table was called to order at 3 o'clock by Mrs. N. J. Cartmell. There were thirty in attendance. (1 Priest, 24 Sisters and 5 lay people.)

A short bibliography of the recent controversy on Elementary School Libraries prepared by Mrs. Cartmell was distributed. A lengthy bibliography on Elementary School libraries prepared by Miss Elsie Schmdit (Teachers' Consultant of The Queens Borough Public Library) was also distributed. Discussion centered around the needs of Parochial School libraries and their cooperation with the public library in their various communities. The ideal Elementary School library was discussed. It was generally agreed that a central library room, with class room collections sent out from it was ideal but costly. Many Sisters reported that the public library in their locality took excellent care of their needs by supplying class room collections and they had yet to feel the need of a central room.

Sister Grace Benigna of New Jersey reported that she had had excellent cooperation from Newark and Jersey City public libraries. Sister Anselma of Richmond, Virginia, reported that Richmond Public Library gave her excellent cooperation. Father Fox of Rochester contributed some very excellent questions and was pleased to know that such cooperation by the library was obtainable and hoped it might be obtained in Rochester. He was recommended to get in touch with Mr. John Adams Lowe, Librarian of Rochester Public Library. Miss Chase of The Queens Borough Public Library answered questions put to her in regard

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to children's books. Sister Ignacio of St. Peter Claver (colored) in Brooklyn contributed many pertinent and interesting remarks. Miss Emma Baldwin of Baker & Taylor and Sister Ignacio made most interesting comments in regard to colored people and books for them. Miss Elsie Schmidt gave many helpful suggestions to the sisters, as teachers.

Sister Grace Benigna suggested that there might possibly be regional development of Parochial School Libraries, i.e., certain number of schools in a district could pool their resources and the combined collections would be at the disposal of each Parochial school possibly through interloan, exchange or rotating collections.

Other Sisters contributed but unfortunately their names were not obtained. A number of those present have remarked that it was a very stimulating and interesting Round Table and hoped there would be more of them.

NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS

Religion

HERSELF. By the Rev. David McAstocker, S.J. ix and 107 pp. Milwaukee: Bruce Publishing Company. \$1.25.

A companion to *Himself*, published recently, this slender volume contains ten simple and intimate chapters on Our Lady, considering her dignity, her stainlessness, her goodness, her charitableness, her generosity, and others of her lovely virtues.

TO WHOM SHALL WE GO? By the Rev. Frederick McDonnell, S.J. New York: Benziger Brothers, \$1.25.

These doctrinal discourses by a veteran missionary among non-Catholics in the South are written in a clear and kindly style which makes them highly valuable for recommendation to seekers after the truth.

MANUAL OF THE MARRIAGE LAWS OF THE CODE OF CANON LAW. By the Right Rev. Louis J. Nau, S.T.D., LL.D. Cincinnati, Ohio: Frederick Pustet Co. \$3.

A useful summary of the matrimonial legislation of the Church prepared by a prelate for years professor of Moral Theology and Canon Law in Mount St. Mary's Seminary, Cincinnati.

THE ETERNAL GALILEAN. By the Rev. Fulton J. Sheen, Ph.D. 12mo. 281 pp. New York: D. Appleton-Century Co. \$2.

Pointed considerations on the life of Christ written in a language the modern age understands by the eminent philosopher who is also the well-known orator of the Catholic Radio Hour.

RELIGION: DOCTRINE AND PRACTICE. For Use in Catholic High Schools. By the Rev. Francis B. Cassilly, S.J. Tenth and Revised Edition. xix and 535 pp. 159 illustrations. Index. Chicago: Loyola University Press. \$1.60.

An improved edition with many new teaching aids and added sections on Catholic Action, the Mystical Body, and the Liturgical Movement.

CHRISTIAN LIFE AND WORSHIP. By the Rev. Gerald Ellard, S.J., Ph.D. 358 pp. 50 illustrations. Index. Bibliographies. Milwaukee: Bruce Publishing Company. \$2.50.

An edition for the general public made from Father Ellard's masterly work prepared originally for a college text; with a wealth of historical, literary, and pictorial detail, it presents the supernatural order as the corporate participation of the divine life.

THE ROSARY: A SOCIAL REMEDY. By the Rev. Thomas Schwertner, O.P., S.T.Lr., LL.D. 140 pp. Milwaukee: The Bruce Publishing Company. \$1.50.

The last book of its author, this study stresses the significance of the Rosary as a remedy for all the social evils of our day, following Pope Leo XIII, whose encyclical on the Rosary and the Social Question is quoted and discussed.

Education

PRINCIPLES OF JESUIT EDUCATION IN PRACTICE. By The Rev. Francis P. Donnelly, S.J., 12mo. xiii and 205 pp. Index. New York: P. J. Kennedy & Sons. \$2.

The professor of rhetoric at Fordham University and author of *Art of Interesting* and other works on educational subjects, reduces the theory of the Ratio Studiorum to practice in the classroom, contrasting it to the modern method of making literature a peg for teaching allied subjects, and showing the fallacy of the departmental system.

Science

THOUGHTS OF A CATHOLIC ANATOMIST. By Dr. Thomas Dwight. Brookline, Massachusetts: Mrs. Thomas Dwight, 90 Ivy Street. 30 cents.

This invaluable book of the distinguished scientist for twenty-five years the Parkman professor of anatomy at Harvard is now made available at a low price.

Music

SAINTE THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS. An Oratorio in Three Parts. Words and Music by Evangeline Lehman. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: Theodore Presser Co. 75 cents. With music rich and appropriate to the theme this oratorio presents the story of the Little Flower; fortunately it is sufficiently simple for rendition by the students of music in our schools.

Poetry Essays, and Criticism

BOSCOBEL AND OTHER RIMES. By the Rev. James J. Daly, S.J. Milwaukee: Bruce Publishing Company.

A collection of the poems of the distinguished author of "A Cheerful Ascetic and Other Essays," this volume reaches a high literary level.

FISH ON FRIDAY. By the Rev. Leonard Feeney, S.J. 224 pp. New York: Sheed & Ward. \$1.50.

A choice of the Catholic Book Club for April are these twelve charming essays written with the touch of fun and pathos that distinguish the poems of Father Feeney.

MORTON'S FOLLY. By J. B. Morton. Illustrated by Nicolas Bentley. Garden City, New York: Doubleday, Doran & Co. \$2.

Sketches, poems, anecdotes, and serial narratives of the inimitable Beachcomber, culled from his column in the *London Daily Express*, these sly and humorous observations are all in accord with the Catholic outlook in morals, philosophy, and history.

THE POETRY OF GERARD MANLEY HOPKINS: A Critical Survey and a Commentary. By Elsie Elizabeth Phare (Mrs. Austin Duncan-Jones) 12mo. New York: The Macmillan Company. \$2.75.

An excellent commentary on the work of the Jesuit priest who is now generally accepted as a major poet.

IN INFINITE VARIETY. By Frederic Thompson. New York: The Gay Street Publishers. \$2.

The first volume, exquisitely printed, containing eight poems from the pen of an interesting and original poet.

History

THE CATHOLIC HERITAGE OF SAINT LOUIS: A History of the Old Cathedral Parish, Saint Louis, Missouri. By the Rev. Paul C. Schulte. 8 and 274 pp. Illustrated. Saint Louis, Missouri: The Catholic Herald. \$2.

An account of a parish dating from 1764 compiled from rich authentic sources.

PONTIFICIA AMERICANA (1784-1884). By the Rev. Donald C. Shearer, O.M. Cap., Ph.D. New York: Joseph F. Wagner. \$1.25.

A dissertation presented to the Catholic University, this truly valuable collection of Papal Documents bearing upon the history of the Church in America covers seven pontificates.

POPE GREGORY VII AND THE THEOCRATIC STATE. By Sister Agnes Bernard Cavanagh, Ph.D., of the Sisters of St. Joseph. xiv and 143 pp. Bibliography. Index. Washington, D. C.: The Catholic University.

A significant dissertation treating the relations between Church and State from the time prior to Gregory's pontificate to the conclusion of the Conflict with the Empire.

Biography

THE LIFE OF CARDINAL MERCIER. By John A. Gade. New York: Charles Scribners Sons. \$2.75.

A sympathetic non-Catholic associated with the Cardinal of Malines during the World War writes with charm this well-proportioned biography.

CONTARDO FERRINI. By the Rev. Bede Jarrett, O.P. Saint Louis, Missouri: B. Herder.

The recently deceased founder of *Blackfriars* has prepared this sketch of Ferrini (1859-1902), a profoundly good man who was an accepted authority on Roman law and who distinguished himself in his labors for Catholic Action in Italy.

SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES IN HIS LETTERS. By the Visitation Nuns of Harrow. Introduction by the Right Rev. Abbot Butler, O.S.B. Saint Louis, Missouri: B. Herder. \$2.50.

Wisely selected and delightfully translated are these pieces from the eleven volumes of the correspondence of the sweet human saint who is both profound theologian and graceful literary artist.

Fiction

THAT WHICH WAS LOST. By Isabel C. Clarke. New York: Longmans, Green & Co. \$2.50.

The new novel of Miss Clarke is set in the slums of London and revolves around the efforts of one of the characters by his prayers to restore to a family with an English mother and an Italian father, the Faith, That Which Was Lost.

ANTONIO. By Ernest Oldmeadow. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: The Peter Reilly Co. \$3.

This story, first issued twenty-five years ago and lately reprinted, is that of a young Benedictine monk who figured in the expulsion of religious from Portugal following the triumph of the Constitutionalists over the Miguelists.

SUPERSTITION CORNER. By Sheila Kaye-Smith. New York: Harper & Brothers. \$2.50.

The Catholic Book Club selections for May is this novel which depicts the Alards of Miss Kaye-Smith's beloved Sussex but in a sixteenth-century setting through a story which is Catholic in tone and of high artistic merit.

"This is a book which ought to be in every Catholic library" is a pronouncement which, strong as it may have been years ago before it passed into the class of the truly trite, is not forceful enough to apply to each of two important books recently brought out by the Bruce Publishing Company. Rather, of each of them it should be put down, "This is a book for which analytic cards should be made by every Catholic librarian."

The books are *The Catholic Way in Education*, by the Rev. William McGucken, S.J., which appeared a month or so ago, and *Educational Psychology*, by William Kelly, Ph.D., which was published a few months earlier. To manifest how valuable is each to users of Catholic books in general, much less to students of Catholic education in particular, given here are sample chapter-headings from the books.

The Catholic Way in Education treats such subjects as these: Modern Trends in American Education; Tommy, the "Educand"; The Supernatural and Education; The Catholic College and a Liberal Education; Catholic Education in Utopia, U.S.A.; Whose Is the Right to Educate?; Modern Psychology and Catholic Education; The Catholic Way in Character Education.

Educational Psychology has a thoroughly Catholic development in such chapters as these: The Soul, Sense Perception, Instincts, The Imagination, Memory, Association, The Intellect, The Feelings and Emotions, The Will, Habit Formation, The Learning Process, Character Formation, The Principles of Mental Hygiene.

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CAMPAIGN FOR C.P.I. GOING ON APACE IN AND ABOUT CHICAGO

Catholic educational institutions in and about Chicago have received a straight-from-the-shoulder appeal in support of the Foundation Volume of the *C.P.I.* These institutions have been asked to interest themselves in "the first project of Catholic librarianship undertaken in the United States." This mimeographed appeal supplements a splendid article which appeared in the May 11th issue of the diocesan paper, *The New World*. As a result, we know of an inquiry which has come from one of the hierarchy.

The Chicago campaign has been sponsored by Loyola University Library.

William A. FitzGerald, Ph.D., librarian of Brooklyn Preparatory, will again give his course, "the High School Library," at the Boston College Summer School, July 2-August 4. Consisting of thirty lectures, this course offers two points toward higher degrees. Last year Dr. FitzGerald stressed the importance of membership in the C.L.A. in order that those interested in library work might keep posted in what is going on in Catholic library circles.

The following titles of foreign Catholic publications have been sent to us by an enthusiastic member of the C. L. A. connected with the Copyright Office of the Library of Congress. If this information will be of service to our readers, titles of future publications of this nature will be published from time to time.

Lexikon für Theologie und Kirche.

2., neubearbeitete Auflage des kirchlichen Handlexikons. 5. Band. Hexapla bis Kirchweihen.

Herder & Co., G. m. b. H., Freiburg i. B.

Drei Legenden. Von Hans Brandenburg.

Legend des heiligen Johannes Nepomuk;

Legend des heiligen Rochus;

Legend der heiligen Notburg.

Verlag Josef Kösel & Friedrich Pustet, Munich.

Introduction à la Vie dévote—Saint Francois de Sales.

Fac-similé de l'unique exemplaire actuellement connu de l'édition de 1619.

Dernière édition revue, corrigée et augmentée par l'auteur durant ses Prédications à Paris. Publié par Fabius Henrion. Tours; Maison Mame, 1934.

L'Ange de l'Ecole (St. Thomas d'Aquin)

Texte de Raissa Maritain. (L'Année en Fêtes pour nos enfants)

Paris: Desclée, de Brouwer et Cie., 1934.

Fragments de Sociologie Chrétienne. Par Tristan d'Adayde.

Traduit du portugais par Jean Duriau et Georges Raeders.

Paris: Desclée, de Brouwer et Cie., 1934.

Introduction à l'Ontologie du Connaitre.

Par Yves Simon.

Paris: Desclée, de Brouwer et Cie., 1934.

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Unwanted Duplicates

There are times when librarians have several duplicates of one book taking up valuable shelf space. It often happens that librarians are puzzled as to the disposition of such duplicates. Here is a solution of the difficulty. There is a community of Poor Clares whose library is as bare as Mother Hubbard's cupboard. If any librarian has surplus copies of books which might be useful to these Poor Clares, wrap them up and address the package to Mother Abbess, Corpus Christi Monastery, South Main St., Rockford, Illinois.

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FOR SALE

Seton Hill College Library (Greensburg, Pa.) offers the first 65 volumes of the *American Ecclesiastical Review*, in good binding, at \$1.00 per volume, less 5 per cent for cash. Address Sister Melania, Librarian.

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THE MONITOR PRIOR TO 1894

One of our members is anxious to learn if any Catholic libraries have copies of *The Monitor* prior to 1894. This Catholic newspaper published in San Francisco came into existence about 1858. If you have any of these early issues please communicate with Miss Catherine Kegler, Reference Assistant, Catholic University, Washington, D. C.

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WANTED

The Editor is anxious to obtain the following numbers of the *Catholic University Bulletin*:

Vol. VI, No. 3 July, 1900; vol. XXV, No. 3 March, 1919; vol. XXXII, No. 1 January, 1926, and all numbers after 1928.

Also indexes from Volume XIV to date.

POSITION WANTED

Young lady, college graduate and holder of library certificate, desires position in Catholic college or high school library. College and public library experience in Northwest. Address R. J. D., in care of the editor.

Young lady with five years' Catholic school library experience wishes any kind of library work for all or part of the summer. Address L. B. F., in care of the editor.

NEWS FROM THE FIELD

The Dewey adaptations assembled by Fathers Reyling and Brielmaier are in constant use. In fact, one member engaged his copy a month in advance. In every instance these schedules have proved most helpful. "I am returning the adapted 200 Dewey," writes a librarian from the middle West, "and wish to thank you for the use of it. I only wish the library had had access to it when the cataloging was first done." There is more than passing significance in this observation from a user of Father Reyling's schedule: "I hold a degree in library science from — — — — —, but I must admit, as perhaps many other Catholic librarians who unfortunately received their library training in a non-Catholic institution, of how little benefit such a training is in actual application of the principles." Both of these adaptations are to be indexed in the Current Library Literature department of the *Library Journal*.

A splendid and the most recent addition to the many fine books about Cardinal Newman is the study by Sister Mary Aloysi Kiener, S.N.D., head of the English Department, Notre Dame College, Cleveland. This book, entitled *John Henry Newman—The Romantic, The Friend, The Leader*, is a scholarly achievement. The work is issued under most favorable auspices, bearing a congratulatory letter from the Bishop of Cleveland, a foreword by Father Cavanaugh of Notre Dame University, and an introduction by G. K. Chesterton. The format of the book is fully in keeping with the subject treated. The bibliography of some sixteen pages and the general index will be a great help to Newman students. The volume is published by the Collegiate Press Corporation, Boston, and is listed at \$5.00.

The June issue of the *BOOK SURVEY* (published by the Cardinal's Literature Committee) recommends about 125 titles of the same high standard as consistently characterizes its selections. This latest number of the *Survey* presents a new department, "The First Circle." Herein are listed titles which are neither good nor bad, "neither cold nor hot."

MacMillan Company has just brought out a revised edition of *Logic, Deductive and Inductive*, by Thomas Crumley, C.S.S.C., of Notre Dame University.

Sister Cecil of St. Catherine's Library School suggests "A Library in Every Parochial School" in the June issue of the *Catholic School Journal*.

A revised edition of *The Lincoln Library of Essential Information* has just been issued. This is the sixth edition since its first appearance in 1924. In preparing this edition, a total of 894 pages were revised or remade. This amounts to more than forty per cent of the entire work.

William A. FitzGerald, librarian of Brooklyn Preparatory, has just received his Ph.D. degree from Fordham University. Congratulations, doctor!

Notre Dame University has received the library of Professor Charles Phillips who died during the Christmas vacation. The collection consists of some 1,200 volumes which made up the late professor's working library.

Mother Cephas, O.S.U., formerly librarian of New Rochelle College, has been appointed Superior of the same institution. Mother Cephas was hostess to the Eastern Regional Conference last year, and those who attended well remember the splendid hospitality extended to the delegates of the C. L. A. Congratulations, Mother Cephas. May God grant you good health to accomplish the many things of which you are capable.

COMMUNICATIONS

MR. EDITOR:

If it is still possible, may I ask you to kindly send me another copy of the March number? . . . The May number is excellent. It seems to me that the Catholic Library Association and its paper are rapidly finding the level on which their work is most useful. Vivat Floreat. Crescat.

F. S. B.

325TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FAMOUS AMBROSIAN LIBRARY OF MILAN

The present year marks the passing of three and a quarter centuries since the consummation of the founding (1603-1609) of the famous Ambrosian Library of Milan, a creation of Federigo Borromeo, Archbishop of that See and nephew of St. Charles Borromeo. This great ecclesiastical library at one time operated a press with a font in Latin, Greek, Syriac, Hebrew and Armenian, in order to print Doctors' books and students' theses. The "Great Herder" offers merely the following succinctly worded information about the library: "Ambrosiana, Bibliotheca A., Ambrosian Library. Famous eccl. libr. in Milan, with printery for Oriental lang., museum and picture-gallery; contains palimpsests, Virgil-, Iliad codex, 400,000 printed vols., 3,000 incunabula, 10,000 mss., 41,000 prints. Fd. 1603 by Card. Federigo Borromeo."

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